

Joint Meetings

PARTIAL BIRTH ABORTION BAN ACT

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of S. 3, to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1051)

H.R. 3161, to ratify the authority of the Federal Trade Commission to establish a do-not-call registry. Signed on September 29, 2003. (Public Law 108–82).

H.R. 2657, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. Signed on September 30, 2003. (Public Law 108–83).

H.J. Res. 69, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2004. Signed on September 30, 2003. (Law 108–84).

S. 520, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District in the State of Idaho. Signed on September 30, 2003. (Public Law 108–85).

S. 678, to amend chapter 10 of title 39, United States Code, to include postmasters and postmasters organizations in the process for the development and planning of certain policies, schedules, and programs. Signed on September 30, 2003. (Public Law 108–86).

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2003

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine climate change, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 1643, to exempt certain coastal barrier property from financial assistance and flood insurance limitations under the Coastal Barriers Resources Act and the National Flood Act of 1968, S. 1066, to correct a technical error from Unit T–07 of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System, S. 1663, to replace certain Coastal Barrier Resources System maps, S. 994, to protect human health and the environment from the release of hazardous substances by acts of terrorism, proposed legislation providing for the reauthorization of the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act, and the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider an amendment in the nature of a substitute to S. 1637, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to comply with the World Trade Organization rulings on the FSC/ETI benefit in a manner that preserves jobs and production activities in the United States, to reform and simplify the international taxation rules of the United States, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert B. Charles, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs), and H. Douglas Barclay, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of El Salvador, 2:30 p.m., SD–430.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the need for federal real property reform, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Dora L. Irizarry to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Livestock and Horticulture, hearing to review mandatory country of origin labeling, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up H.R. 3030, Improving the Community Services Block Grant Act of 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following: a resolution authorizing the issuance of subpoenas in connection with the Committee's investigation of the financial collapse of HealthSouth and related matters; H.R. 2898, E–911 Implementation Act of 2003; H.R. 3140, Fairness to Contact Lens Consumers Act; and H.R. 3143, International Consumer Protection Act of 2003, 11:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "Remittances: Reducing Costs, Increasing Competition, and Broadening Access to the Market," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, Trade, and Technology, hearing entitled "China's Exchange Rate Regime and its Effects on the U.S. Economy," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, oversight hearing entitled "Human Capital Succession Planning: How the Federal Government Can Get a Workforce to Achieve Results," 2 p.m., 2203 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Strengthening the Long Arm of the Law: How Are Fugitives Avoiding Extradition, and How Can We Bring Them to Justice?" 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Human Rights and Wellness, hearing entitled "Dying for Help: Are Patients Needlessly Suffering Due to the High Cost of Medical Liability Insurance?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, Information Policy, Intergovernmental Relations and the Census, executive,